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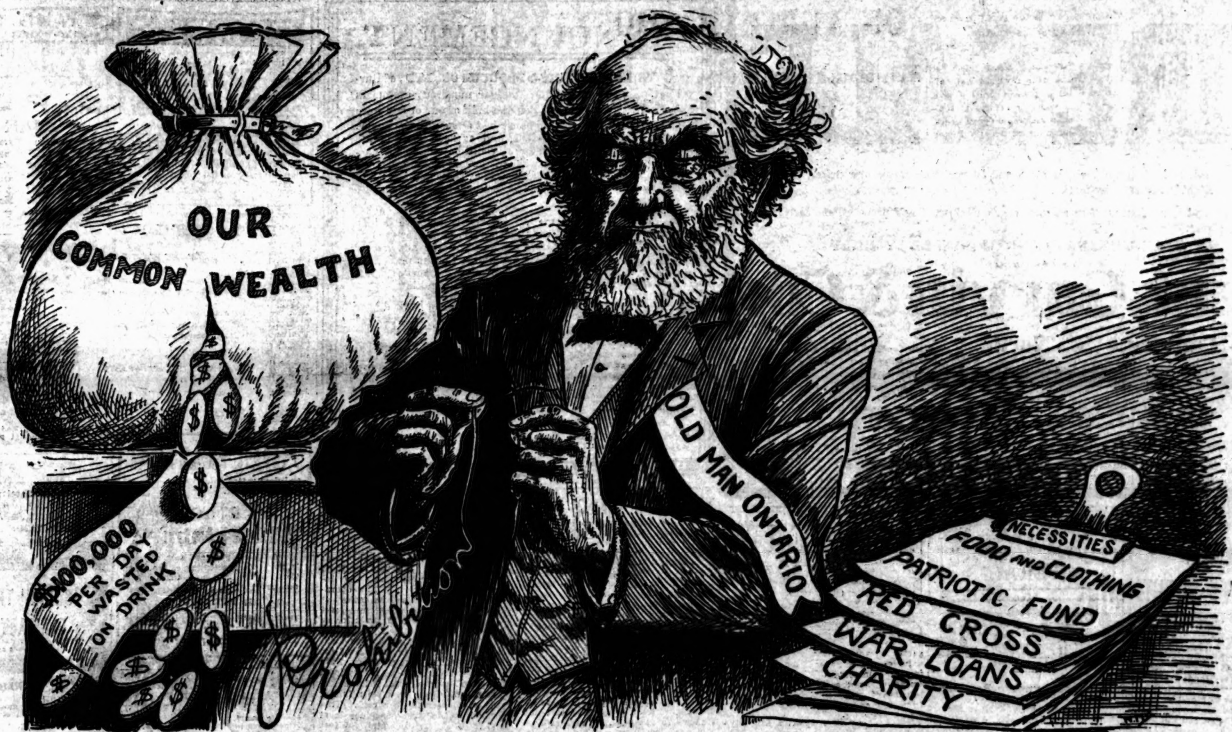
Margie Waverly.
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The women of a Chinese household are seldom seen on the street. The children suggest more exercise for a politician who is continually running for office.

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The Vital Need of the Hour

\$100,000 a day wasted on drink in Ontario! That's over \$30,000,000 a year! We cannot afford that colossal expenditure in times like these. We require the money for our Empire's and our own more vital needs. "I'm going to stop it," says "Old Man Ontario." Go to it, "Old Man Ontario." You've got the people of this great Province overwhelmingly with you, as you will see when the petitions for prohibition are circulated this week.

As a War Measure, if for no other reason, prohibition is a vital necessity in Ontario. The calls for money for the Patriotic Fund, the Red Cross, War Loans, Charity, and other worthy things run away up into the millions, and make imperative the conservation of our common wealth. Russian savings bank reports show that savings increased five thousand (5,000) per cent. in the eight months following the prohibition of the sale of vodka.

For the Good of Our Province

Business Men, isn't it to the Province's best interests to stop this colossal waste of money expended for alcoholic beverages?

Parents, wouldn't you feel more secure and happier if the temptations and evils of strong drink, that accomplish the ruin of so many young men and women, were banished from the land?

Moderate Drinkers, you know that in the present crisis the Province has need of all its resources in men and money. Are you willing to sacrifice a drink or two a day for the benefit of the country?

Civilians, Soldiers, Business Men, Working Men, Moderate Drinkers, Abstainers, Men of all political and religious faiths; is it not your solemn duty to support to the fullest extent of your powers this great prohibition movement?

The Citizens' Committee of One Hundred have taken the prohibition question out of party politics, so that every man in the Province can give his whole-souled support to the cause without injury

to his party. The Citizens' Committee has no political ambitions. It was organized solely with the one object of uniting the people in a non-partisan campaign to secure a DRY Ontario.

The Citizens' Committee have every confidence that the Government will act in conformity with public opinion. It is now up to the people to do their part. Sign the petition for prohibition. The petition simply asks the Government either to pass a prohibitory law at the meeting of the Legislature or to submit the question to a vote of the people.

Sign the petition quickly. By doing so you will help our canvassers get over their routes in the appointed time and secure the maximum number of signatures. Anything you can do to help our canvassers secure signatures, and secure them quickly, will be for the good of the cause. Let everybody help!

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GRAND FLOODS.

Highest Water in Forty Years at Preston, Ont.
Preston, Jan. 22.—Last night saw the highest water here in forty years. A thin sheet of ice just above Galt on the Grand River caused water to back up into the rapids and over the road and into the river, and Blair to a depth of at least six feet. Houses

along the river were surrounded and the occupants had to be taken out in boats by the fire brigade.
About 8 o'clock, when the water was at its highest, John Rudenka, a Pole, who lives on the flats near the Blair bridge, attempted to drive home from Preston with his horse and wagon through the rising water. He was caught by the ice when about half way across and surrounded by it. He remained there standing in his

wagon up to his knees in water for some four hours before his rescue was effected by the police and fire brigade. The horse had to have its throat cut, as it could not be gotten out. The barn and house on Rudenka's farm was flooded and four pigs were drowned, also some fifty hens. The water dropped some two feet to-day, but the road to Blair will be almost impassable for some time owing to the ice.

FIGHT IS ENDED.

Opposition to Compulsion Measure Believed to Have Died Out.
London, Jan. 23.—The official Press Bureau stated to-night that following Premier Asquith's announcement in the House of Commons relative to the necessity for the introduction of women labor in industrial plants, the opposition to the bill was believed to have died out.

and Trade districts to apply the policy immediately.
It is now believed that the concluding stages of the military convention will be passed without difficulty and that the measure will go into operation without the labor party or the trade union leaders endeavoring to frustrate its smooth working by a resort to a general strike or other industrial upheaval.
The suggestions formerly entertained

by labor men concerning the bill have been largely removed by Premier Asquith's assurances and the successful passage of the bill through its stages in the House of Commons, and, in the opinion of some of the influential trade union leaders, when the Bristol labor conference next week is apprised of private assurances received from the Premier the conference will decide to support the bill.

CALEDONIAN CANAL CLOSURE.
Washington, Jan. 23.—The British Government has prohibited neutral vessels from entering the port of Liverpool and the Caledonian Canal at Fort William, according to advice received by the State Department from the United States Consul-General at London. Neutral vessels entering the port or the canal may be seized.

